



# FORT HANCOCK

**FACT SHEET**

**DECEMBER 2007**

**DESCRIPTION.....**

Fort Hancock consisted of 1,691.63 acres fee and 1.14 acres easement on Sandy Hook, New Jersey. The site is situated about 10 miles south of the entrance to New York Harbor. Fort Hancock was acquired by the U.S. between 1806 and 1909 by various deeds and other instruments. It was used for a variety of purposes, including the Nation's first proving ground, a fort, firing range, anti-aircraft defense, and training. During the 1950s, a Nike battery installation was built. In 1974, the fort was deactivated, and in 1978, 1623.85 acres fee and 1.14 acres easement were transferred to the Department of the Interior. The remaining 67.78 acres fee was transferred to the U.S. Coast Guard. The Department of the Interior – National Park Service and the U.S. Coast Guard are the present owners. Fort Hancock is currently part of the Gateway National Recreation Area operated by the National Park Service.

**CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.....**

Fort Hancock is in New Jersey's 6<sup>th</sup> district.

**AUTHORIZATION.....**

The Fort Hancock site is being investigated under the Defense Environmental Restoration Program for Formerly Used Defense Sites. The Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 authorized that program.

**STATUS.....**

The Corps has performed a site investigation of the former Fort Hancock site. The Site Specific Work Plan for the Fort Hancock site has been developed and a Technical Project Planning (TPP) meeting was held with interested stakeholders. A TPP Memorandum was issued and accepted by meeting attendees. The TPP Memorandum addresses issues discussed by the stakeholders and the findings in the Memorandum were used as the bases for finalizing the Site Specific Work Plan. Fieldwork has been completed and SI results were presented at the final TPP meeting. The SI report has been finalized. A Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) is recommended for the site.

Future Planned Activities:

- Perform RI/FS contingent on availability of funding

**PROJECT COST.....**

Estimated Federal Cost	\$230,000
Estimated Non-Federal Cost	\$0
Total	\$230,000

**CONTACT.....**

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